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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

7 ME2 PRODUCTIONS, INC.,

8 Plaintiff,

9 v.

10 RUNGTHIP SUWANCHOTE, *et al.*,

11 Defendants.
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Case No. C17-0250RSL

ORDER PERMITTING SERVICE
BY MAIL

13 This matter comes before the Court on plaintiff's "Motion to Permit Alternative
14 Mail Service or for Additional Time to Attempt Process Service." Dkt. # 29. Federal Rule
15 of Procedure 4(e)(1) allows plaintiff to effect service "pursuant to the law of the state in
16 which the district is located." Washington law authorizes service by mail upon a showing
17 that (a) defendant has made reasonably diligent efforts at personal service (Rodriguez v.
18 James-Jackson, 127 Wn. App. 139, 140 (2005)), and (b) defendant resides in the state but
19 has concealed herself in order to avoid service of process (RCW 4.28.100(4)).

20 Plaintiff has made multiple unsuccessful attempts to personally serve defendant
21 Brenden Peterson. There is evidence that the named defendant resides at, or is associated
22 with, the address identified by the ISP and used by the process server. In addition, the
23 named defendant has declined to respond to a voice message or call the process server at
24 the number provided. All of the prerequisites for allowing service by mail are therefore
25 satisfied, and there is reason to believe that service by mail will effectively notify
26 defendant of the claims against him.

1 Plaintiff's motion is GRANTED. Plaintiff may, therefore, accomplish service by
2 depositing copies of the summons, complaint, and this Order in the United States Post
3 Office directed to defendant Peterson at his address.

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5 Dated this 21st day of June, 2017.

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7 Robert S. Lasnik
8 United States District Judge
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